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Belgian Biodiversity Platform

For Science, Policy and Practice

With the support of BFI SPO Belgian Science Policy Office



What is the Belgian Biodiversity Platform?

Our Mission: *"Decision making on biodiversity issues is grounded on sound evidence and takes place through collaboration between relevant actors"*

Mandate

Funded by BELSPO
(Belgian Science Policy
Office)

Works at the Federal
and Regional Levels

Distributed Team

Science policy experts,
open data specialists,

IT & communication
professionals

Host Institutes

RBINS · SCIENSANO ·
ULB · INBO

Strategically selected for
expertise alignment

BBPf as a Science-Policy-Practice Interface

Science

Researchers · Experts
Data producers

Policy

Governments · Federal
Regional authorities

Practice

Managers · NGOs, local
Practitioners

How We Bridge These Spheres:

- National Focal Point (IPBES, IUCN, GBIF)
- Expert committees & advisory boards
- Communication & stakeholder outreach
- Capacity building & training
- Networking & think tank activities
- Horizon scanning & research prioritisation
- Mapping Belgian expertise
- Scientific contributions & policy briefs

Our Topical Issues

Invasive Alien Species

15+ year cornerstone activity. Data-driven workflows (TriAS), decision support tools (ManaiAS, Harmonia+), EU IAS Regulation implementation, IPBES contributions.

One Health

Belgian One Health Network (BeOH) integrating human, animal & ecosystem health. PREZODE initiative for preventing zoonotic disease emergence.

Ecosystems & Society

Evolved from the BEES community of practice. Ecosystem services, socio-environmental dynamics, transformative change & governance. IPBES focal point.

Biodiversity & Climate Change

Bridging IPBES & IPCC communities at national level. Awareness-raising on interlinkages, nature-based solutions (RESPIN project).

Biodiversity Informatics

GBIF Belgian Node, TDWG standards. Capacity building, open data publication, integrating data into IPBES & IUCN policy processes.

International Engagement

EU Projects



Reaching Integrated and Prompt Action
in Response to Invasive Alien Species

National Focal Points



Co-lead BE delegation · Engage experts · Ensure uptake of global assessments



Lead BE delegation · ICENCA region · Organised RCF 2024 in Bruges · WCPA focal point Belgium



Belgian Node · 1,281+ datasets · 436 publishers

Spring Markets

- Business and Biodiversity
- Nature Based Solutions
- Nature Restoration
- Biodiversity Monitoring
- Ecosystem services

2014

2015



BEES
Belgian Ecosystems & Society

2016



2017



2018



2019



2022



2023



2024



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